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THE MUSEUM OF OZ

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**JINGLE DAYS
AT THE STATE MUSEUM**

2017 WINTER CAMPS



IT'S BACK!

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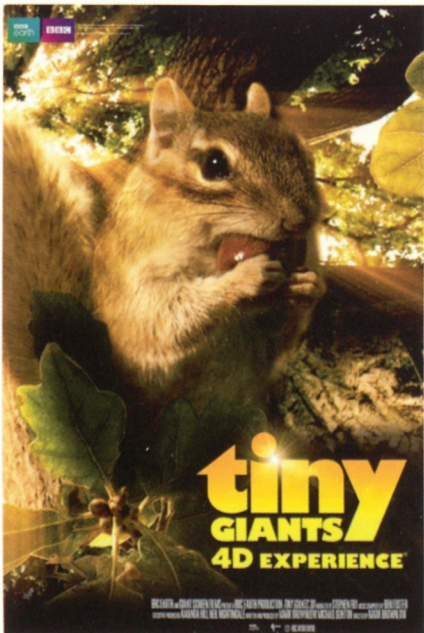
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VISIT US AT: SCMUSEUM.ORG



**TINY GIANTS 4D EXPERIENCE
NOW PLAYING**

See one of the world's smallest heroes on an epic adventure in the all-new BBC Earth: Tiny Giants 4-D Experience® is now showing in the Rev. Dr. Solomon Jackson, Jr. 4D Theater and promises a never-before-seen glimpse into the mysterious and whimsical world of the Enchanted Forest!

This all-new, 12-minute show was creatively adapted from the BBC Earth film, *Tiny Giants*, in order to maximize special effects and enhance the world-class 3-D technology that pops off the screen. Through this enhanced perspective, guests will be able to follow along the chipmunk's perilous quest while also learning about the key elements of survival on the forest floor.

Visit SCMUSEUM.ORG to purchase tickets.



NOTES FROM OUR DIRECTOR, WILLIAM CALLOWAY ECLIPSE REPORT & HOLIDAY FUN

Eclipse Report

In the last issue, I wrote of our preparations for the impending eclipse that was occurring on August 21st. I am excited to report that the event exceeded all our expectations! For the four days of the event, we hosted over 8,300 visitors. Those visitors were not only from

South Carolina, but represented many states across the nation as well as some international visitors. Over 1,000 members attended and we had 435 people attend the foundation VIP reception and viewing party.



The revenue we generated from the eclipse also set all sorts of museum records. We generated revenues not only with ticket sales but also in retail, fundraising, and sponsorships. Beginning in the first

of July when we our retail sales started to climb until August 21, we identified \$450,000 of revenue that could be attributed to the eclipse.

Our retail store was almost half of that total revenue. Eclipse glasses, eclipse t-shirts and eclipse posters were flying off the shelves as we shattered our one day retail sales record on THREE consecutive days. Our special content was well received and we received numerous positive comments during and after the event.

The State Museum was ground zero for the Columbia media and a lot of national media as well. Our live feed from our observatory was picked up and transmitted across the nation – with all spots identified with the State Museum logo.

None of these great results could have happened if not for the wonderful efforts of our museum team. Full-time staff, part-time staff and volunteers all worked together to pull off this challenging event. Everyone supported each other and helped out wherever needed, from handing out free water to attaching wristbands to our Guests.

I am also thankful for the efforts of the Museum Commission and the Museum Foundation Board who, for 17 years, remained steadfast with the vision of the “Windows to New Worlds” expansion and renovation project. Having our expanded space along with the Boeing Observatory and the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Planetarium certainly was a major factor in the museum being “Eclipse Headquarters”

Holiday Family Fun

Fall is a busy season for us all as schools start anew, football season seems to consume the weekends, and the weather becomes a little crisper which motivates us to get out and be active after the hot summer days. This fall your State Museum has a wonderful selection of program and exhibit opportunities for every member of your family.

We are currently in our second year of The Museum of Oz which we have extended and will run the entire month of October. Our Oz walk-thru has been expanded and we moved our annual fall festival, renamed Auntie Em’s Harvest Festival, to coincide with the Oz events. We even had a spooky sleepover for families! Of course the highlight of your visit is seeing The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience. Our crews have been busy decorating the museum and once again the planetarium has transform into the state’s largest Jack-o Lantern.

As soon as Museum of Oz is over we transition right into the Christmas Holidays. We once again will be featuring “Polar Express in 4D”. We also will be offering Winter Break camps, and holiday themed programming. The “Frozen” movie night is also coming back, so plan to get your tickets early as the event has sold out in all previous years.

Our gift shop, The Cotton Mill Exchange, will be full of special holiday merchandise where you can select the perfect gifts for your friends and family. We have two special extra discount days planned for our members, so be sure to take advantage of the additional savings.

Please come see us this Holiday season and bring your friends and your visiting families with you as well. Show them what a magnificent facility we are fortunate enough to have in the South Carolina State Museum!



Hosting a holiday party?

Looking for a space to host your holiday party? The State Museum’s beautiful one-of-a-kind facility makes it an unforgettable event venue. Weather it’s a seated dinner for 50 or a reception for over 1,000, you will be dazzled by all the State Museum has to offer.

Contact the Rental Office at 803.898.4901 or facilityrental@scmuseum.org or visit scmuseum.org.



A LOOK BACK

Total Solar Eclipse 2017

... by the numbers ...

8,325

4-day attendance

6,087

Watched a special BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Planetarium show, *Shadows from Space*.

\$450,500

Total Eclipse Revenue

54%

Out of State

44%

In State

2%

International

27 States | D.C. | 8 Countries



... from our guests

Please pass my appreciation for how well your organization planned and executed the eclipse viewing. My family had a very nice time exploring the museum and exhibits. Well done! . . .
Louis

I wanted to thank you for the amazing event yesterday. We took a group of 12 adults with developmental disabilities and everyone had a great time. The event was well organized and the events were informative and fun . . .

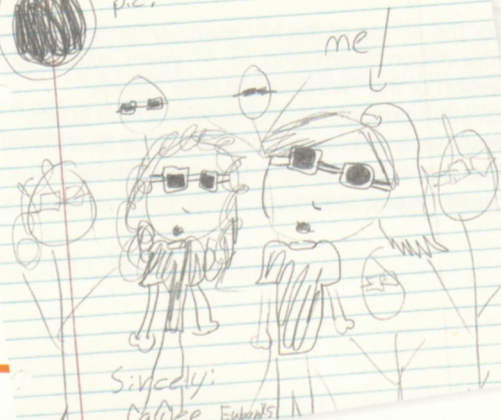
Mike Wuest kept us informed leading up to the event and met us at the door when we arrived. He was wonderful to work with and answered all of our questions.

Thank you all for this event. We LOVED it!

Terry Hagen , Recreation Leader
Parks, Recreation & Tourism, City of Rock Hill

Dear Mr. Wuest,
Thankyou for our trip to the South Carolina State Museum. We enjoyed it very much! We are thankful for the man who opened the 4-D theatre back up for our school. We enjoyed listening and talking to the General and Governor. The view of the planetarium was amazing, it really looked like we were actually outside! Talking to an actual astronaut was amazing! Thankyou for our opportunity to visit the South Carolina Museum! Sincerely,
Megyn Bonds

Dear Mr. Wuest
Thank you for letting us come. I loved it. My favorite was every thing it was so nice of you to let us come. I hope you like my pic.



Sincerely:
Cayle Eubanks



media stats

- Live shot from the Boeing Observatory on CBS This Morning resulting in 200 local CBS affiliates stories nationwide
- SCSM Boeing Observatory live eclipse feed on MSNBC with Craig Melvin
- CNBC Squawk Box Live featuring SCSM/Cotton Mill Exchange
- Turkish Radio & Television (TRT) World News featured SCSM eclipse event
- Featured on Fox News national 3 times since 2016
- Featured on Spectrum News live on over 13 stations across North Carolina
- 15 local/national television stations broadcasting live or reporting from SCSM eclipse day
- 2,000+ media mentions of SCSM (online, print, radio and broadcast)
- Over 10 million impressions!
- Partnered with WIS NEWS 10 (Eclipse Headquarters) for live broadcast.
- Partnered with iHeart Media to bring the Ace & TJ Show along with throwback 105.5 and 101.1 The Beat live from SCSM.



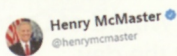
Charles Duke speaks



Al Nagler with Girl Scouts



tweet from the Governor



Henry McMaster
@henrymcmaster

South Carolina's own Apollo 16 astronaut Gen. Charles Duke telling kids about walking on the moon. #eclipse



12:16 PM - 21 Aug 2017 from South Carolina State Museum

15 Retweets 33 Likes

SOCIAL Love

WEBSITE

For August 2017 we had 143,000+ page views (2X the same month last year)

FACEBOOK

- Organic post reach on Mon., Aug. 21 was 356,865
- Observatory Facebook Live Stream received more than 50,000 views

TWITTER

- JULY - 81,000+ tweet impressions and 160 mentions
- AUGUST - 162,000+ tweet impressions and 300+ mentions

THE MUSEUM OF OZ

HURRY ENDING NOV. 3



EXPERIENCE THE WIZARD OF OZ IN 4D!

The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience is back and now playing in the Rev. Dr. Solomon Jackson, Jr. 4D Theater. *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience*, features original footage that has been digitally restored and converted to 3-D, making this beloved classic a modern adventure. For the first time ever, guests will be swept away with Dorothy as a powerful tornado swoops through the 4D theater and transports them to the magical Land of Oz. Join *Dorothy*, *Scarecrow*, *Tin Man*, *Cowardly Lion* and even the *Wicked Witch* as they follow the Yellow Brick Road to the *Emerald City*.

The museum's 4-D theater combines the visual drama of a 3-D film with a variety of sensory effects such as water mist, neck air blast, snow, bubbles, leg ticklers, scents, enhanced lighting, and seat vibrations.

The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience was produced by SimEx-Iwerks Entertainment, through a license agreement with Warner Bros. Consumer Products. SimEx-Iwerks is the leading innovator of immersive 3-D and 4-D attractions and the exclusive distributor of the industry's best-selling film titles. The company supports over 150 family-friendly attractions in more than 30 countries.

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FAMILY FUN IN OZ SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 & 28

Enjoy the Halloween season in the Land of Oz at The State Museum, with some of your favorite *Wizard of Oz* characters like *Dorothy*, *Scarecrow* and the *Cowardly Lion*.

Every Saturday in October visit the State Museum to enjoy family friendly *Wizard of Oz* themed crafts and games. Win prizes with *Wizard of Oz* trivia and scavenger hunts throughout the day.

Members don't forget to use your tickets (located on your member card) to see *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience* now playing in the 4-D theater!

HALLOWEEN IN OZ - OCTOBER 31

Families get in your best costumes and join us at the museum for a safe family friendly Halloween party. The museum will be full of fun Halloween games, activities, a trick-or-treat scavenger hunt, spooky museum ghost tours, children's costume contest and of course *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience*. This event is free with museum general admission. 4D Experience an additional charge.

A graphic for 'Tin Man Trivia' featuring the words 'TIN MAN' in a stylized, metallic font with a small figure of a man in a top hat integrated into the letter 'M'. Below 'TIN MAN' is the word 'TUESDAYS' in a green, blocky font. At the bottom, it says 'TUESDAYS IN OCTOBER 6-10P.M.' in a purple, serif font.

TIN MAN TUESDAYS TUESDAYS IN OCTOBER 6-10P.M.

OZ MOVIE TRIVIA, 6P.M.

Guests are invited to show off their *Wizard of Oz* knowledge with Tin Man Trivia from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Come with a team of friends and family, or make new friends and form a team at the museum. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team. Trivia is free with membership or general admission during Tin Man Tuesday.

SKIES OVER OZ PLANETARIUM SHOW, 6P.M.

Hear the tale of Dorothy's epic adventures in Oz told as a constellation myth during this 30 minute show, using imagined patterns of stars in the night sky. You'll also take an up close look at the current night sky from here at home in Columbia.

CAROLINA GHOST TOURS, 7P.M.

Take a stroll with the spirits this October! Every Tuesday evening in October, join a storyteller for an hour-long ghoulish and entertaining tour. You will hear legends, folk tales, and chilling ghost stories from the coast to the mountains, including tales from Columbia, and spine-tingling experiences in our own haunted museum! This, as well as a kid friendly ghost tour, is included in the price of admission and will start at 7 p.m. in the main lobby of the museum.

HALLOSCREAM LASER PLANETARIUM SHOW, 7P.M.

Monsters and ghouls come out to dance in the dome in this 30 minute, fun-filled and family friendly Halloween themed laser show. Featured songs include "Thriller", "Monster Mash", "Purple People Eater", and the original Ghostbusters theme, all interpreted in dazzling laser graphics and abstract images. Don't be afraid to get into the spirit of things by clapping to the beat and singing along to your favorite tunes! (Note: Laser shows contain flickering lights that may bother some people.)

WIZARD OF OZ

KIDS CORNER

Send us your answers for a chance to win FREE TICKETS!

OZ WORD SEARCH

M	M	J	X	B	D	N	B	S	Z	S	W	M	B
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DOROTHY
GLINDA
GOOD
LION
MELTING
MUNCHKINS

MONKEYS
TOTO
WATER
WITCH
WIZARD

RUBY
SLIPPERS
SCARECROW
TIN
MAN

GROWL *at the* MOON

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

- | DARK SIDE OF THE MOON
PLANETARIUM SHOW
- | SOUVENIR GROWLER
- | CRAFT BEER, WINE & FOOD
- | DJ TRU-ENTERTAINMENT
- | MUSEUM GHOST TOURS
- | LUNAR OBSERVING
- | WIZARD OF OZ 4D EXPERIENCE
- | FORTUNE TELLING: BLACK DOVE
- | BLING BAR & MORE

COSTUMES ENCOURAGED

\$35 PUBLIC | \$28 MEMBERS

TICKETS AND SHOW SCHEDULES AVAILABLE AT

SCMUSEUM.ORG

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WE'RE OPEN LATE ON TUESDAYS! NOW UNTIL 10 P.M. THROUGH NOVEMBER 7

Saturdays in Oz, Every Saturday in October October 21 & 28 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Every Saturday visit the State museum to enjoy family friendly Wizard of Oz themed crafts and games. Get your photo taken with your favorite Wizard of Oz character and win prizes with Wizard of Oz scavenger hunts throughout the day. Don't forget to catch *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience* now playing in the 4-D theater! Visit scmuseum.org for a list of Oz activities for each Saturday. **See page 6 for details.**

Tin Man Tuesdays October 17, 24 & 31 | 6-8 p.m.

Guests can experience the Museum of Oz after hours with Oz trivia at 6 p.m., museum ghost tours at 7 p.m., special planetarium shows, *Skies Over Oz* at 6 p.m. and HalloScream Laser Lights at 7 p.m., night sky observing and *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience*™. The museum will be open late every Tuesday until 10 p.m. General admission for Tin Man Tuesday is 2 for \$10. Visit scmuseum.org to learn more. **See page 7 for details.**

Bluegrass Night at 2nd Shift Twosdays Tuesday, October 24, November 28 & December 19

The public is invited to bring their own acoustic instruments and jam out with members of the South Carolina Bluegrass and Traditional Music Association. These music nights are included with museum membership or general admission. General admission is two for \$10 during Second Shift Twosdays.

Growl at the Moon Thursday, October 26 | 7 - 10 p.m.

Come one and all, citizens from the Land of Oz! Our annual Halloween extravaganza, Growl at the Moon will feature local food, DJ, craft beer and Laser Floyd, *Dark Side of the Moon* inside of our Jack-o-Tarium (Planetarium). Your all-inclusive ticket this year will include *The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience*. And, as always, an unfilled souvenir growler to take home. Good Witch or Bad Witch? Oz costumes suggested! Flying monkeys unite! **See page 9 for details.**

Halloween in Oz

Tuesday, October 31 | 5:30- 9:00 p.m.

Families get in your best costumes and join us at the museum for a safe family friendly Halloween party. The museum will be full of fun Halloween games, activities, a trick-or-treat scavenger hunt, spooky museum ghost tours, children's costume contest and of course the *Wizard of Oz 4D Experience*. Free with museum general admission. **See page 8 for details.**

Friday Night Laser Lights November 3 | 7 - 11 p.m.

This fall you can see dazzling full-color and totally immersive fulldome laser shows set to some of your favorite music. Three different shows at 8, 9 and 10 p.m. Purchase delicious food from a local food truck, as well as beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages from K&W Beverage. Tickets are: One show: \$10 general public/ \$8 museum members. Two shows: \$15 general public/ \$12 museum members.

Tasting Tuesdays

Tuesday, December 5, 12, & 19 | 6-8 p.m.

The museum is bringing back a new tradition celebrating South Carolina foodways. Join the museum on Tuesdays in December from 5 - 8 p.m. for free. Enjoy South Carolina-made food samplings from local companies and enjoy samples of local beer, wine and cider while you shop.

Jingle Days

Saturday, December 16 - Monday, January 1

Spend your winter break enjoying a variety of family-friendly activities during the museum's annual holiday celebration. Programs vary each day and include activities such as visits with Santa, performances by the Bright Star Touring Theater, holiday crafts and more. Full schedule coming soon to scmuseum.org **See page 14 for details.**



Events are included with your museum membership or general admission unless otherwise noted. Dates and times are subject to change. Please visit scmuseum.org for a full schedule and tickets.

Moonshot! Exploring the State Art Collection in Eclipsing 50

Tuesday, December 19 | 7-8 p.m.

Join us for a gallery-led tour of our new art exhibition *Eclipsing 50: The State Art Collection 1967 – 2017*. Eclipsing 50 includes over 80 pieces from the South Carolina Arts Commission's art collection and delves into the idea of artistic exploration. Learn about the creative "moonshots" through the years that have helped define this unique collection of work by S.C. artists.

Winter Break Camps

Monday, December 18-22 & 26-29

The State Museum is excited to offer winter camps for children aged 6-11 years old. Campers may register for the entire week or for individual days. Each day of the week is themed with a different focus. Each day of camp will feature: morning social time, museum exploration, hands-on and interactive activities, snack time and lunch time. Visit scmuseum.org to learn more or to register. **See page 13 for details.**

Polar Express Member Night Friday, December 15, 2016

All members are invited to hop on the *Polar Express* for a special members only Polar Express Party! Enjoy sub-zero science, free snacks, cookies, hot chocolate and a special visit from Santa. Be sure to wear your pajamas. Bring a buddy (non-member) for \$5. No RSVP required shows are first come first served. Members can use the tickets on their membership or purchase tickets for \$4. **See page 16 for details.**

Frozen Party

Wednesday, December 27

The State Museum continues its annual Frozen Party, a magical evening to spark young guests' imagination from 6 – 9 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 28. During the event, guests will watch Disney's Frozen, meet and greet with Anna and Elsa and enjoy crafts and activities. There will be light snacks and refreshments. Frozen costumes are highly encouraged. Tickets are \$18 per person and \$15 for museum members. Space is limited, advance ticket purchase is recommended by visiting scmuseum.org or by calling (803) 898-4999. Ask about our new special family viewing room for families with small children. Tickets on sale now. **See page 15 for details.**

DAILY PLANETARIUM & 4D THEATER SHOWS

Rev. Dr. Solomon Jackson, Jr. 4D Theater
The Wizard of Oz 4D Experience™

NEW! *Tiny Giants: Life in 4D*

BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Planetarium

From Earth to the Universe

Earth, Moon and Sun

Live Sky Tour

Sea Monsters: A Prehistoric Adventure

Skies Over Oz

Boeing Observatory

Solar Viewing: Every Day – Weather permitting.

Night Sky Viewing: Every Tuesday until 10 p.m. (8 p.m. starting Nov. 7) – Weather permitting.

Current Exhibits

NEW! Eclipsing 50: Apart of the SC Arts Commission's 50th anniversary, this show highlights art work collected between 1967 and 2017 by the commission. See over 75 pieces of artwork that transcends a particular time and place, and the artists who broke through in the pursuit of artistic expression.

South Carolina's First Astronaut Charles Duke and the Apollo Missions: This new exhibition explores South Carolina's First Astronaut Charles Duke and the Apollo Missions. A native of Lancaster, South Carolina NASA selected Duke to join the Apollo Space Program in 1966. He served as part of the Apollo 10, 11, 13, 16, and 17 missions. In 1972, as lunar module pilot on the Apollo 16 mission, Duke became the tenth man to walk on the Moon.

South Carolina and the Great War: Discover what life was like in the palmetto state on the eve of World War I, learn why America decided to join the war, examine the efforts South Carolina took to build up military forces, explore the war time experiences of overseas South Carolina soldiers and more.

VISIT SCMUSEUM.ORG FOR FULL SCHEDULE AND TICKETS



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A BIG *Thank You*

What an amazing camp season we have had! We are so honored that we were able partner with Aflac for our 2017 spring, summer and winter camps. With their support we were able to take our camps to the next level. We pride ourselves on our educational curriculum and making sure we are developing our camps with state educational standards in mind. Aflac made it possible for us to inspire the minds of our future!

"Aflac's support changed the camp experience by allowing us to do innovative programing and incorporate a 21st century learning experience in areas like robotics and astronomy"

-Laura Kane, Education Manager

"Aflac takes pride in supporting efforts that will help children in South Carolina thrive because this is our home and the young people we educate today are our customers and employees of the future. Programs like the SCSM Summer Camps at the State Museum showcase the care and concern that makes our community a great place to live and raise a family. We are pleased to support such a worthy cause."

Aflac Senior Vice President,
Chief Administrative Officer of Aflac Group Insurance





SCSM CAMPS!

presented by
Aflac

WINTER FUN ^{AT THE} STATE MUSEUM

DECEMBER 18-22 & 26-29

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PICK ONE DAY OR PICK THEM ALL!

DAILY THEMES

Natural History Days | December 18 & 26

Take a journey back in time to the Age of Mammals. Roam the land of "giants" and create your own prehistoric impressions.

History Days | December 19 & 27

We'll be looking at how kids spent their spare time here in South Carolina backcountry by making our own toy to take home just in time for the holidays.

Astronomy Days | December 20 & 28

Join us in the planetarium to explore the winter sky in our Seasonal Sky Tour and discover a little about our galaxy as we create our own celestial globe.

S.T.E.A.M. Days | December 21 & 29

Go below zero as we create our very own edible dot ice cream. Next, campers will create mini-circuits and design their very own LED creations.

Polar Express Day | December 22 ONLY

Campers are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas for *The Polar Express 4D Experience*, and enjoy our own hot chocolate and s'mores! Activities for the day include learning about the illustrations behind the Polar Express story.

MUSEUM MEMBERS:

\$40/day or \$160/week
Extended Day: \$10/day or \$40/week

NON-MEMBERS:

\$50/day or \$200/week
Extended Day: \$15/day or \$50/week

CAMP HOURS

Drop-off: 8:00-8:45 a.m.
Pick-up: 3:30 p.m.
Extended Day: 3:30-5:30 p.m.



FOR FULL SCHEDULE & REGISTRATION
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SCMUSEUM.ORG

 **SCSM**
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM

Holiday 4D and Planetarium Shows & Events November 11 - January 5



The Polar Express
4D Experience™



Holiday Laser Lights



Star of Bethlehem
Planetarium Show



Visit scmuseum.org for a list of show times.

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The Cotton Mill Exchange carries a variety of gifts representing every corner of South Carolina, including jewelry, clothing, throws, tote bags, table linens and glassware. The store is open until 8:00 p.m. for Second Shift Tuesdays.

Jingle Days

at the
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE MUSEUM



Celebrate Jingle Days at the museum from Dec. 16 through Jan 1. Enjoy two weeks of holiday fun, with visits from Santa, holiday arts and crafts, live performances from the Bright Star Traveling Theater and the Columbia Marionette Theater. For a list of holiday events and activities visit scmuseum.org.

Experience the holidays around the world, with special international holiday celebrations like Kwanzaa and Hanukkah. Enjoy visits with Santa, international crafts, a holiday performance featuring Carolina Ballet, food and more. The celebration will be from 10:00 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Visits with Santa:
Dec. 16 – Dec. 23
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Get your cameras ready for a special visitor from the North Pole! During the week before Christmas, Santa will make several visits to the State Museum.

Visits with Santa are included with museum general admission, Santa pictures require an additional fee.



Disney **FROZEN** PARTY

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MEMBERS ONLY POLAR EXPRESS™ *Party*

ALL ABOARD! The Polar Express™ 4-D Experience® pulls into the South Carolina State Museum this November.

BOARDING: DECEMBER 15 | 6 P.M.
DESTINATION: SCSM, 301 GERVAIS ST.
RETURN: 9 P.M.

WATCH The Polar Express™ 4-D Experience®
ENJOY FREE cookies, snacks & hot chocolate
WEAR YOUR PAJAMAS

SUB ZERO SCIENCE with shrinking balloons, astro marshmallows & more
EXPLORE the museum after hours

Boeing Observatory open for night sky viewing

VISIT WITH SANTA (plus optional photos 50% off)

SANTA'S SKY: holiday planetarium experience

(tickets are required - no rsvp needed. All shows are first come, first served.)

20% off purchases at the Cotton Mill Exchange

BRING A BUDDY (non-member) for \$5





VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT JEFF POWLEY



“...I bet that Jeff knows each of the more than 200 volunteers by name.”

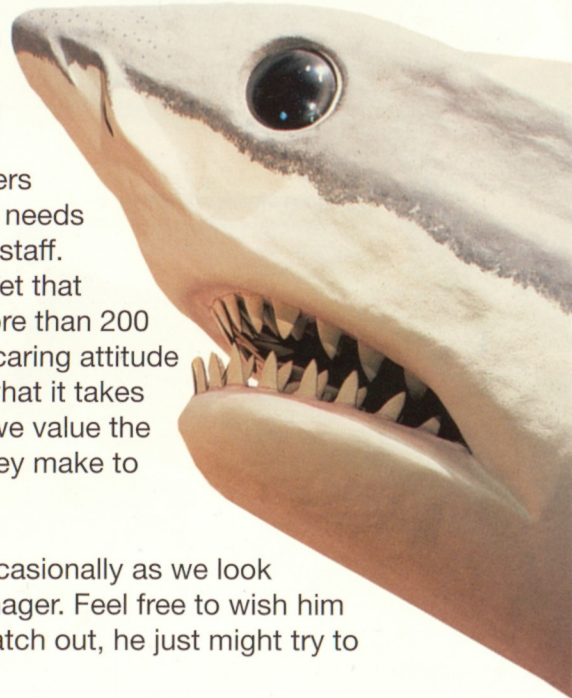
Jeff Powley, the museum's volunteer manager recently retired from full-time work. Jeff's first day at the South Carolina State Museum was June 2, 2000. I know because he and I started on the same day. Jeff had been at the Smithsonian Institution where he participated in a volunteer management training program, and I will say that he knew what he was doing from day one. I specifically remember Jeff settling in easily, first by getting to know everyone, then executing his goals to expand the volunteer corps and increase volunteer activities.

Since 2005, I have been Jeff's supervisor and, if I had to guess, I've learned more from him over the years than he has from me. Jeff has been a great employee, a valuable mentor, and good friend. In addition to his volunteer work, Jeff also served twice as the group visits manager during those exceedingly lean years in the 2000s. He also transitioned to outreach manager for a couple of years as we maintained our statewide presence with our StarLab portable planetarium and our traveling exhibits programs. He quickly became known around the state as he kept these critical programs alive.

To the volunteers, Jeff has been a friendly smile, a great teacher and a caring listener. He consistently advocated for the volunteers as he communicated their needs and concerns to museum staff. Though I can't be sure, I bet that Jeff knows each of the more than 200 volunteers by name. This caring attitude and attention to detail is what it takes to assure volunteers that we value the important contributions they make to the State Museum.

Jeff will be in the office occasionally as we look for our next Volunteer Manager. Feel free to wish him a happy retirement, but watch out, he just might try to recruit you.

-Tom Falvey, SCSM Director of Education



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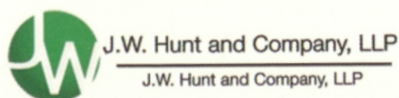
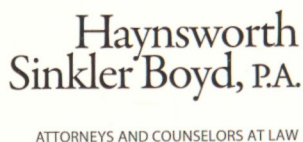
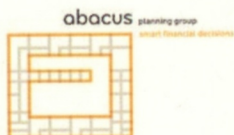
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